

Samoans Need The Money

(Associated Press Cable to The Star).

BERLIN, Feb. 13.—The Germans in Samoa have petitioned the government for the payment of the indemnity awarded them by King Oscar of Sweden in his arbitration of their claims in 1902.

This arbitration followed the fighting in 1899 between the forces of Matafao, whose pretensions were supported by the British and the Americans, and Matafao, whose pretensions were supported by the Germans. It was in this trouble that Lieutenant Philip Lansdale was killed.

The whole difficulty was finally settled by an abolition of the so-called tri-partite agreement, by which Great Britain, America and Germany exercised a protectorate over Samoa. The independence of Samoa became a thing of the past and the group was divided up among the three powers. Claims growing out of damages inflicted during this trouble were referred to King Oscar of Sweden and Norway, who has just abdicated to the Crown Prince. He gave his awards long ago, but all the awards have not been paid.

A FIRE AT THE DREIER HOUSE

FIRE STARTED IN CELLAR LAST NIGHT IN QUANTITY OF RUBBISH—WOULD CERTAINLY HAVE DESTROYED HOUSE HAD NOT A LITTLE GIRL SEEN SMOKE EARLY IN EVENING AND GIVEN ALARM—CHINESE COOK TAKEN INTO CUSTODY.

The police are investigating an alleged attempt to set fire to the Beringia street residence of August Dreier. The attempt was made some time last night in the cellar of the residence. The fire was discovered in time and extinguished. The Chinese cook, Ah Yin, has been taken into custody in connection with the affair.

The fire in the residence of August Dreier was started last night after dinner had been served, and the Chinese cook had gone home. A quantity of papers and trash in some boxes under the house caught fire. The investigation by the police does not disclose whether the things had been saturated with coal oil or not. A little girl at the house saw the smoke and gave the alarm of fire. The Chinese servant is held pending an investigation by the police.

PRESIDENT SLAPS BACK AT THE SENATE

(Associated Press Cable to The Star).

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 13.—President Roosevelt will not present the arbitration treaties as amended last week by the Senate, to the countries with which the United States is already negotiating for arbitration treaties.

CELEBRATING LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—President Roosevelt arrived here today to participate in the Lincoln Day celebration.

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PRICE OF MEAT CUT

METROPOLITAN MEAT COMPANY AND GRAZERS REACH AGREEMENT WHEREBY PRICE OF BEEF WILL BE REDUCED TO CONSUMER BUT PRICE FOR BREEDER CONTINUE AS BEFORE—FINE CUTS TO BE REDUCED 2 CENTS A POUND AND CHEAPER CUTS 1

An agreement is understood to have been reached between the Grazers and the Metropolitan Meat Company whereby the latter concern will grant a material reduction in the price of beef to the consumer. The price of fine cuts will be reduced 2 cents a pound and the price of the cheaper cuts will be cut 1 cent a pound, according to the agreement that is understood to have been reached. The idea in making such a cut in price is to try and increase the consumption of beef. It is thought that such a reduction will produce such a result especially as the Maui grazers have demonstrated this claim in a limited field.

The Hawaii Live Stock Breeders Association met this morning to consider the situation. The matter of prorating the beef to the Metropolitan Meat Market Company was discussed at some length. Some of the grazers seemed to be of the opinion that it should be on the basis of the tax as-

essment which showed the number of cattle on each ranch, while others thought that the prorating should be based on the amount of stock supplied the market during the last year. It was finally decided to leave the matter to the Metropolitan Meat Market as the settlement seemed to be that that institution would act fairly with the grazers. Each grazer will supply every quarter, his estimates to the manager of the Metropolitan Meat Company and the latter will in turn decide about the amount of cattle desired and what will be done in the matter of an over supply. The price of beef for the grazers is not to be cut from the present rate.

The directors of the Metropolitan Meat Market company are to meet this afternoon and discuss the general agreement and then take the action of reducing the price of beef. An executive committee meeting of the grazers will be held this afternoon.

KAULBARS TO COMMAND



(Associated Press Cable to The Star).

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 13.—General Baron Kaulbars has been appointed to succeed General Grippenberg in the command of one of the Russian armies in Manchuria.

WILDER MAY BE CONFIRMED

There seems every probability that Justice Wilder's appointment was passed through the Senate Committee in Washington this morning. Governor Carter received an unofficial cable from the capital this morning but until he is notified officially he does not care to make the contents public. It is generally believed that the appointment has been made.

AFTER THE PRESIDENT

(Associated Press Cable to The Star).

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 13.—Senator Bacon today introduced a resolution asking the President for information in regard to the relations of the American Government with the Dominican Republic.

STRIKE IS QUIET

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 13.—The strike situation is quiet here today.

GERMAN DIPLOMATS VISITING MENELIK.

ADIS, Abyssinia, Feb. 13.—The German diplomatic mission has arrived here.

NO BAND TONIGHT.
The Territorial Band will not play at Emma Square tonight. A lady is lying dangerously ill in the immediate vicinity of the square and at the request of her friends Bandmaster Berger obtained permission to postpone the concert.

Port Arthur Naval Survivors Reach Honolulu

FIFTEEN RUSSIAN NAVAL OFFICERS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE NAVAL ENGAGEMENTS WITH ADMIRAL TOGO'S FLEET AND LATER IN THE DEFENCE OF PORT ARTHUR ARE THROUGH PASSENGERS ON SIBERIA EN ROUTE TO ST. PETERSBURG.

The most interesting party that has passed through Honolulu in years is aboard the S. S. Siberia, going through to San Francisco. The party consists of fifteen Russian naval officers who were captured by the Japanese when Port Arthur surrendered. In the party are men who have been on the Russian vessels throughout the war and were actual participants in the great struggle in the Far East. They are the first of the paroled officers to return home by way of America. The fellow passengers on the steamer speak in words of praise of them. The Russians are much like the French and are very courteous in manner. Most of the officers have some knowledge of the English language and were perfectly willing to speak of the occurrences in which they had taken part. Those in the party are Captain N. O. Kosen, former commander of the battleship Sevastopol; Captain E. Schensnovitch, former commander of the battleship Retvizan; Captain N. A. Saxe, former commander of the naval transport Yermack; Lieutenant P. P. Ostetsky, formerly on staff of Admiral Wiren; Lieut. A. J. Bezstuxeff, formerly executive officer of the Sevastopol; Lieutenant P. N. Wesselkin, attaché of Russian admiralty; Lieutenants N. V. Krotkoe and S. V. Kovalevsky of the battleship

Peresvet; Lieutenant A. Ovander of the Sevastopol; Lieutenants S. F. Tiroff, V. S. Denisoff, V. N. Butkevitch, V. A. Becklemisheff and Ryzye of the Peresvet and Lieutenant B. Rourmine of the Sevastopol.

In an interview with a representative of the Star Captain Van Esen and Captain Saxe gave an account of the general condition that led to the fall of Port Arthur and told something of the condition of the Russian fleet in that place both previous to and at the fall of the fortress. Captain Van Esen was formerly in command of the Russian cruiser Novik but eight months ago was transferred to the Sevastopol and made commander of that vessel. Both of these officers witnessed the sinking of the flagship battleship Petrovlovsk off Port Arthur when Admiral Makaroff the Russian naval commander was lost.

"I was within two miles of the Petrovlovsk when she sank," said Captain Van Esen. "She struck a mine and sank almost within an instant. We hardly had time in which to realize what had happened before she sank." Captain Saxe who was ashore also witnessed the disaster to the flagship and says that it was scarcely two min-

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FIFTH GOES BACK ON CARLOS LONG

HE REFUSES TO MAKE THE NOMI NATIONS DEMANDED FOR CHAIRMANSHIPS OF COMMITTEES AND SOLOMON MAHELONA HEADS THE REVOLT—STRONG EFFORTS BEING MADE TO BRING THE DELEGATION IN LINE FOR KN UDSEN OF KAUL.

There was a split in the Fifth after all and the solons of the lower House are about as far away as ever from agreeing on a speaker. It was fondly believed that the goods were all but delivered to Carlos Long and so they were, but the Fifth had reckoned without Long. There was a string, or rather a steel hawser, attached to the endorsement of Long at the caucus held by the Fifth on Saturday night and Solomon Mahelona held the other end of the hawser. Long was to be assured of the support of the members from the district on the express understanding that he was to make certain appointments of the chairmen of different committees. Mahelona himself was to get a committee and this it was learned this morning, Long refused point blank to agree to. Mahelona at morning.

once pulled in the endorsement and there was a general stampede among the Long supporters. At noon today there was politics doing all along the line and while nothing definite had been arranged up to the present writing, the strongest kind of an attempt is being made to swing the Fifth in line for Knudsen. Should it go that way then Knudsen would seem to be certain of victory.

Harris of Oahu is still in the running but the fact is that the administration is more anxious to see him with the gavel than he himself is to wield it. The caucuses of Hawaii and Kauai, which are to be held this afternoon will probably settle the matter. The senators will hold a caucus at Senator Dowsett's office at three o'clock to point blank to agree to. Mahelona at morning.

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